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Applicant(s): Norman R. Peterson, et al.  
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Commodities in a Batching System*  
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IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO INCOMPLETE REPLY

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Dear Sir:

Applicants received a Notice of Missing Parts dated May 26, 2004 for the above-identified application indicating that a signed Declaration and substitute drawings were required. A Response was mailed to the Patent Office on June 9, 2004 enclosing the signed Declaration.

Applicants received a Notice of Incomplete Reply, dated July 8, 2004, stating that replacement drawings are still required.

In response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply, Applicant submits herewith a copy of the Notice, along with a set of formal drawings in conformance with the requirements stated in the Notice.

This communication is being filed within two months of the original Notice to File Missing Parts, and hence no fees are due for this communication. If, however, any fees are deemed due as a result of this or any other correspondence, Applicant hereby authorizes the Commissioner to withdraw said fees from Deposit Account 17-0055.

Respectfully submitted,

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**NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)**

***Filing Date Granted***

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 06/14/2004 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 05/26/2004 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application. Replies should be mailed to: Mail Stop Missing Parts, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
  - The drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch). See Figures(s) 4A, 5A.
  - The drawings must be reasonably free from erasures and must be free from alterations, overwriting, interlineations, folds, and copy marks. See Figure(s) 1-11F.
  - The drawings submitted to the Office are not electronically reproducible. Drawing sheets must be submitted on paper, which is flexible, strong, white, smooth, non-shiny, and durable (see 37 CFR 1.84(e)). See Figure(s) 3A, 4A - 7B, 8A-9B.

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